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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EWWT, IR, GR

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR BONAFIDES: CONSTANTINE KELETCHKIS

REF: STATE 205909

1. NONE OF SOURCES CONSULTED HAD CURRENT INFORMATION ON EITHER CONSTANTINE KELETCHKIS OR ANY OF HIS COMPANIES. TWO LOCAL BANKS PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM 1965 TO 1966 BASED ON THEIR OWN INVESTIGATIONS AND INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM AN IRANIAN BANK.

2. MR. KELETCHKIS REPORTEDLY ESTABLISHED DIMCO IN 1956 IN TEHRAN, IRAN, TO ENGAGE IN CONSTRUCTION. IN 1965 HE MAINTAINED LUXURIOUS OFFICES AT 3 STADIOU STREET, ATHENS, AND WAS REPORTED TO OWN 15 MILLION RIALS IN CAPITAL AND 150 MILLION RIALS IN REAL PROPERTY. HE ALSO REPORTEDLY CONTROLLED DIMCO AND ENJOYED A VERY GOOD BUSINESS REPUTATION IN IRAN REGARDING HIS CAPABILITY AND RELIABILITY. IN 1962, HE ESTABLISHED T.E.M.S.A., (TECHNICAL EPIHIRISSIS MESSOGIOU) - MEDITERRANEAN TECHNICAL ENTERPRISES AT 3 STADIOU STREET, ATHENS, TO ENGAGE IN TOURIST PROJECTS AND IN FINANCING OF SUCH PROJECTS. AT THAT TIME, HE DECLARED T.E.M. S.A.'S CAPITAL VALUE TO BE \$4 MILLION, U.S. DOLLARS, AND HE HAD PERSONAL DEPOSITS WITH BANKS AMOUNTING TO

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15 MILLION DRACHMAS AND SUBSTANTIAL REAL PROPERTY. OTHER TRADE SOURCES ALSO REPORTED HE HAD AMPLE MEANS.

3. AT LATER DATE, BANK INVESTIGATOR ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT HIS PREVIOUSLY RECORDED ADDRESS OF 1 STISSIHOROU STREET, ATHENS, BUT WAS UNABLE TO LOCATE HIM.

4. IN 1973, T.E.M. S.A. PUBLISHED BALANCE SHEET INDICATING SHARE CAPITAL AMOUNTING TO 1 MILLION DRACHMAS AND LOSSES OF 629,000 DRACHMAS. T.E.M. S.A. HAS NOT PUBLISHED ANOTHER BALANCE SHEET SINCE 1973.

5. ONE BANK INDICATED KELETCHKIS OR KELETCHKH HAD GIVEN FOLLOWING BANK REFERENCES IN IRAN: SAEDERAD, IRAN: AUE SHAH, TEHRAN, IRAN.

6. PLEASE NOTE THAT TELEPHONE NUMBER GIVEN IN REFTEL IS INCORRECT. ACCORDING TO LOCAL TELEPHONE COMPANY, 779751 (NOT 172-9751) BELONGS TO "T.E.M. S.A., 14 VASILEOS GEORGIOU STREET, ATHENS," BUT NUMBER DOES NOT ANSWER. LOCAL MARKET RESEARCH AND CONSULTING FIRM HAS INDICATED THAT T.E.M. S.A. IS INACTIVE.  
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